

<p>Last year's inaugural backyard sugar shack was a success so we're ramping up production for season two. We received 10 new buckets from Aline's folks as a Christmas present and we purchased five more of our own so we have 15 buckets ready to go this year . . .</p>

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<p>title="Maple Syrup 2011"</p> <p>type="line\_dotted"</p> <p>x\_legend="Maple syrup season ran from Monday March 14 to Saturday April 9"</p> <p>y\_legend="Temperatures and Litres"</p> <p>x\_label\_rotate="300"</p> <p>y\_step="10"</p> <p>y\_min="-10"</p> <p>legend="◆ Evening low, ◆ Daytime high, Litres of sap collected"</p> <p>line charts: tooltip="On #x\_label#: #y# litres of sap and hi-low temperatures "</p>

<p>c\_color="28A0DC,FF8040,804000"</p> <p>height="400"}SugarShack2011{/flashchart}</p> <p>◆</p> <table border="0" width="100%"> <tr> <td colspan="6"><strong>Noteworthy</strong></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Date</td> <td>Notes</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="6"> <hr /> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday March 14<br /></td> <td>Sap starts to drip!<br /></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday March 16<br /></td> <td>Oh no! We burnt 8 litres of sap and the stockpot. Bummer.<br /></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Friday March 18</td> <td>Flooding in our basement window well! Bailing every hour at minimum . . .<br /></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday March 23</td> <td>Picked up new 12 quart stockpot to replace the one that was burned. \$15 purchase<br /></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday March 31</td> <td>66 litres of sap collected. We had to give some away.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday April 6</td> <td>Whoa! Season ain't over yet. Over Thursday and Friday as the temperatures soared and we hit new highs of sap collected - we ended up giving away over 200 litres of sap to Paul and Chris and Aline's folks as we couldn't keep up with the flow.</td> </tr> </table>